

City of Concord Weekly City Manager Newsletter

March 13, 2015

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS

Residents are reminded that 4th quarter installment payments for 2014 property taxes are due by March 31, 2015. There are several options available for making payments:



- Make your payment in person at the Collections Office located in City Hall.
 Office hours are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM on Thursdays.
- Avoid waiting in long lines and drop your payment in the mail slot at the front door of City Hall. It is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and you will receive same day credit.
- Mail your payment with a copy of your bill to: City of Concord, P.O. Box 9582, Manchester, NH 03108-9582.
- Pay on line at www.concordnh.gov and follow the link to Online Bill Pay.
 While on line, take the opportunity to sign up for future e-mail alerts to remind you when taxes are due.

Please note, any 2014 taxes that remain unpaid after March 31, 2015 will be subject to the lien process.

ROAD CONDITIONS

Highway and Utilities crews have been successfully removing snow from various locations throughout the city. With the recent warmer temperatures, some snow has started to melt and crews have been able to start repairing potholes. Due to this winter's record low temperatures, pothole season has started with a vengeance. The ground shifting from the freezing and thawing cycles creates cracks in the pavement



and allows water to get underneath, which weakens the road structure and forms potholes. During the spring thaw, it is important to restrict heavy weight on the roads to help prevent any further damage. Load limit postings, set to 9 tons, will be posted beginning on March 16th. A list and map of posted roads, and more information about Highway and Utilities' spring operations, can be found on the web at www.concordnh.gov/springoperations.

UTILITY BILLING VIDEO

Concord General Services has produced a new <u>YouTube video</u> featuring utility billing information for the City of Concord. Watch their new <u>video</u> and learn how to navigate the utility billing web page, how to read your water/sewer bill, how to view your water account online, and about all of the various payment options the City has to offer!

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NOMINATE EVERETT ARENA TO WIN HOCKEYVILLE USA!



Please nominate our <u>Douglas N. Everett Arena</u> to win Kraft's Hockeyville USA contest. The winning community rink will win the title of Kraft Hockeyville; will receive \$150,000 towards arena upgrades; and will host a 2015-2016 National Hockey League pre-season game with live broadcast from NBCSN.

Visit <u>www.krafthockeyville.com</u> and nominate our arena by March 18, 2015.

MAKE YOUR FRIENDS GREEN WITH ENVY AT BEAVER MEADOW



The driving range at <u>Beaver Meadow Golf Course</u> will be open on Tuesday, March 17th (St. Patrick's Day), from 11:30 AM to 6:00 PM (or until range balls run out). The 19th Hole Restaurant will be open and the Pro Shop is having a 25% off sale on all in-stock mens and ladies shoes and shirts. The first 10 people who arrive wearing green will receive a FREE bucket of range balls. Held rain or shine.



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CONCORD READS PROGRAMS

Seniors Meeting Seniors Author Lunch

Thursday, March 19th 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM Bishop Brady H.S. Library

Bishop Brady High School welcomes senior citizens to have lunch and discuss *The Last Policeman* with members of its senior class and author Ben Winters. Seating is limited for this free event. Call Blithe Damour at 224-7418 to reserve your spot.

Concord Reads Author Event Thursday, March 19th 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Concord Public Library

Ben Winters, author of *The Last Policeman* trilogy, will read from our *Concord Reads* selection, take questions, and sign books. Don't have yours yet? Gibson's Bookstore will be on hand with all of his titles.



FIX A LEAK WEEK

Next week, March 16-22, is the EPA WaterSense Program's Fix a Leak Week. As a promotional partner for the Water-Sense Program, the City of Concord is encouraging Concord water consumers to help find and fix leaks. Concord residents and merchants are encouraged to share a picture of their leak detection efforts with Concord General Services to be entered for a chance to win a new water efficient WaterSense labeled toilet. Entries must be received by March 20, 2015. Visit www.concordnh.gov/leaks for more information.





NEW PROGRAM: ADULT PAINT NIGHT

Concord Parks and Recreation hosted its first Adult Paint Night last night at the Heights Community Center. It was a fun and successful evening. Registration is now open for the next Adult Paint Night, which will be held on Wednesday, March 25th, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.





The instructor, Meghan Ambra, is a Concord native who earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Studio Art, magna cum laude with departmental honors, from McDaniel College in Westminster, Maryland; and a Master of Fine Arts degree in Painting from the Edinburgh College of Art and Edinburgh University in Edinburgh, Scotland. Meghan teaches art at New England College and at NHTI.

UNH SCHOOL OF LAW MOVES UP IN RANKINGS

U.S. News recently released this year's law school rankings report, and it's very good news for the <u>UNH School of Law</u> in Concord, the only law school in the state. The UNH School of Law moved up in the general rankings from #93 to #87, and held their top 10 position (#9) in the Intellectual Property (IP) rankings once again, continuing their streak as the only law school placed in the top 10 every year since the IP rankings began. They've now moved up 55 slots in the general rankings over the last three years, from #142 in 2012, to #87 this year.